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EVERYWHERE THEY'RE SPEAKING OF US

The big crowds which throng our store, especially on Saturdays and first Mondays, is a convincing fact that we are selling 'em cheap.

Those of Missourian inclinations are being sighted every day. They know that this is no "hot air" sale, and that we mean exactly what we say.

We are not giving you Calicoes at less than cost and putting the price up on something else, as others have done in their money-making sales. Best Calicoes cost any merchant 5 cents a yard, and we have to get this price for them.

We have cut the price on everything!

We give you Hope Bleached at 7 cents a yard.

One of our leading merchants actually tried (through some of his good friends) to buy us out of Hope. Its funny, isn't it? He got them to buy two bolts—all that was in sight. They didn't get a peep under the counter.

We have still got Hope Bleached at 7 cents; others are getting 9 and 10 cents for it.

We give you extra heavy yard-wide Brown Domestic (three yards to the pound) at 6 cents per yard.

Best Machine Thread at 45 cents a dozen.

\$1.00 a yard Dress Goods, 36 inches to 48 inches wide, for 82½ cents. 50-cent Dress Goods, 36 inches to 52 inches wide, for 42½ cents a yard.

Waterproof and Heavy Flannels, 56 inches wide, go at 42½ cents a yard.

10-cent Outings go at 7½ cents.

Its facts in cold print, we are quitting; or we could not make the prices we do.

Good, heavy Fleece-lined Underwear, the 50 cent kind, goes at 35 cents.

Wright's Health Underwear, the \$1.25 kind, goes at 88 cents.

Good, heavy Overcoats, longones, worth \$10.00, for only \$5.00.

Men's Suits, worth \$10.00, for only \$5.50 and \$6.00. Boys' Suits others ask you \$4.50 to \$8.50 for, closing out price, \$3.15 to \$5.95.

Men's high top Tan and Black Shoes, the kind others ask you \$4.50 to \$4.75 for, closing out price, \$2.98.

Ladies' Long Coats, black, brown and tan (our competitors' price \$5.00 to \$11.00) closing out price, \$3.68 to \$6.00.

Men's 25-cent Suspenders at 17 and 19c

Everything goes in the same like manner. We have got a house full of brand new goods to close out by the 1st of January, and we want you to come in and inspect the whole "shooting match."

If you have to be shown, we can "sight you."

Overalls and work pants never was so cheap. \$1.00

Overalls and Jumpers, only \$1.65 a suit. Good, heavy Duck Pants, the \$1.25 kind, for only 98 cents.

Heavy Duck Rain Proof Coats, sells everywhere from \$1.50 to \$2.00; closing out price, only \$1.00.

We could not think of making such prices if we were not quitting, and we believe everybody is taking advantage of this opportunity of saving money on Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Caps, etc.

The big crowds visiting our store and the large bundles of goods they carry away confirms this fact. Follow the crowds to where they're almost giving 'em away.

We thank you, one and all, for the liberal help you have given us in disposing of our large stock of brand new goods, and we know until our doors are closed you will continue to patronize the store where Profit's a thing of the past.

Very Respectfully,

..BATEMAN & FINLEY..

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LOCAL OPTION.

In criticising the speech of M. R. Patterson before the convention the Jackson Whig says:

"He next paid his attention to the Adams law, a measure which originated with, and has been supported by the temperance element in the State, and the Democratic party. This law has driven whiskey from all but a few larger cities of the State. As a substitute for this he advocated a local option law and the undoing of all temperance legislation which has been enacted thus far."

It was about this time that many of our local Democratic saloon sympathizers suddenly become outspoken champions for local option. Its no secret that they expect to have saloons in Camden again. They say the only "Democratic way" is to leave the question to a vote of the people.

The people know, or ought to know, that the Supreme Court of Tennessee has long since declared local option unconstitutional. In a decision about one year ago in the case of Wright vs. Cunningham, reported in 115 Tennessee Reports 468, the Supreme Court says:

"We are of the opinion that under our Constitution no legislative act can be so framed that it must derive its efficacy from a popular vote. To be valid it must leave the hands of the Legislature complete; * * * It must at its birth bear the impress of sovereignty and speak the sovereign will. If it contains within itself a condition or a contingency * * * that contingency or that event must be one selected by the sovereign power itself. Obviously if the con-

tingency selected be the favorable vote of the people who are to be governed by the law, it is that vote which makes the statute efficacious as law and not the antecedent will of the Legislature, the Constitutional law-making power. * * * It is the purpose of our institutions, so far as they concern legislative bodies, that the popular will should find expression in the law enacted by such bodies."

In other words, an act of the Legislature which provides that it shall not go into effect except upon the future contingency of a popular vote, is unconstitutional. The right of a given county or a given town or city to vote whiskey out by a popular vote can not be conferred upon the people by a general statute.

This explanation is given as an answer to criticisms made because we saw fit to republish a clipping bearing on this subject week before last. Local option is a visionary dream; but for campaign purposes it works like a charm when it comes to packing conventions.

CURES WINTER COLDS.

J. E. Gover, 101 North Main Street, Ottawa, Kan., writes: "Every fall it has been my wife's trouble to catch a severe cold, and therefore to cough all winter long. Last fall I got her a bottle of Horehound Syrup. She used it and has been able to sleep soundly all night long. Whenever the cough troubles her, two or three doses stops the cough, and she is able to be up and well." 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00. Sold by Fry Drug Co.

THE CHRONICLE and the Weekly Nashville American, \$1 per year.

SIGNS OF A HARD WINTER.

Tyrone (Pa.) Herald.]

That the coming winter is going to be the hardest one for the past twenty years there is abundance of signs to show, and among them it may be mentioned that—

The corn husks are a foot and a half thick and all the stalks lean to the west.

The geese, ducks and chickens are growing a coat of fur under their feathers, and are rubbing borax on their feet to harden them up.

All the one-eyed owls are leaving the country a month earlier than usual, and the bob-tailed squirrels are laying in sweet potatoes, as well as nuts, for winter provisions.

The farmer who has taken the trouble to investigate has found that all the toadstools on the old logs have wrinkles in them. The last time this happened we had winter weather that froze the handles off of plows.

Rabbits are sitting around with a humped up look to them, and field mice have wrinkles in their tails. If this means anything it means 20 degrees below zero from November through to May.

GOOD ROADS AT SMALL COST.

It seems that "yours truly," who has contributed a few articles to THE CHRONICLE on the events and work of the West Tennessee Farmers' Institute at Jackson, has overlooked one important feature of the meeting.

We refer to the address by D. W. King of Missouri, originator of the system of building good roads without money by using a drag made of a log split in two equal pieces.

The log should be 10 inches in diameter, 7 feet long, and the two pieces securely fastened together 30 inches apart. Attach double tree a few inches on one side of the middle so when pulled one end will be 2 feet in advance of the other. This is to be dragged over the road after each rain.

A practical demonstration was given at Jackson, and 150 delegates pledged themselves to try the method this winter. Any of them can tell how to make and operate it.

The Tennessee press has called attention to this plan of building roads in the past year or so, but it probably seemed so simple nobody tried it. One of our exchanges says "if it had been patented and some slick agent had come along selling rights some would have bit at it, but because it was so simple and cost nothing farmers had no faith in it."

Continued success, however, has proven that it is the very thing for such roads as we have in West Tennessee. We suggest that every farmer in Benton County who lives on a public road try it this winter.

THE BEST DOCTOR.

Rev. B. C. Horton of Sulphur Springs, Tex., writes, July 19, 1902; "I have used in my family Ballard's Snow Liniment and Horehound Syrup, and they have proved certainly satisfactory. The liniment is the best we have ever used for headache and pains. The cough syrup has been our doctor for the last eight years." For sale by the Fry Drug Co.

Gloria Flour beats 'em all. Try a bag. Sold by T. J. Lowry & Co.

IS IT TREASON?

Experience is a good teacher, as the editor of the Concordia Empire, a Republican newspaper of Kansas, has found out to his cost. The Empire man has been building, it seems, and the high prices of material has aroused him to the fact that the high tariff of his party is protective all right, but only for the trusts. The Empire is now singing an entirely different tune, as the following clipping will show. The Empire man is cutting his eye teeth, and he mildly admits the fact in order to "relieve" his conscience:

"We have been invited to send a dollar contribution to the Republican campaign fund that is being raised by popular subscription, and to which President Roosevelt recently contributed. We would like to have our dollar in such select company all right, but we've done all the contributing we intend to do this year."

"We recently have completed building a house at a cost of something more than \$4,000, and for every foot of lumber, every pane of glass, every sack of cement, every pound of nails, and in fact, for nearly every bit of material that went into it we made a liberal contribution through the trusts that control them, and we guess we have done our share."

"It may be treason for a Republican newspaper to talk this way, but facts are facts, and it sort of relieves our conscience to tell the truth about the trusts once in a while. We'll just let the several trusts to which we have had to pay unwilling tribute in the past year pay our dollar for us. We need it and they don't."